

The beta-transformation: a case study for chaos based cryptography

ABSTRACT

In this paper we study characteristics of the beta-transformation and its suitability as a candidate for implementation as a symmetric cryptosystem. For $\beta > 1$ the beta transformation is given by $f(x) = \beta x \pmod{1}$ and $x \in [0, 1]$. It is well known that its Lyapunov exponent is $\lambda = \log \beta$. Since $\lambda > 0$ it ensures that the beta-transformation is a non-linear chaotic system. Finally, we will also attempt to build a discrete version of the beta-transformation.

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